Minutes of the Special Vermilion City Council Meeting

Meeting

BARRETT BROTHERS - DAYTON, OHIO

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Held\_

Monday, July 6, 2020

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<u>Vermillion City Council:</u> Steve Herron, Council President; Monica Stark, Council at Large; Emily Skahen, Ward One; Frank Loucka, Ward Two; Steve Holovacs, Ward Three; Barb Brady, Ward Four; Brian Holmes, Ward Five; G. Fisher, Certified Municipal Clerk

Administrative Staff: Mayor Jim Forthofer; Ken Stumphauzer, Law Director; Attorney Susan Anderson

#### CALL TO ORDER:

Steve Herron, President of Council called the Monday, July 6, 2020 Special Vermilion City Council Meeting to order.

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The members of Council, administrative staff, and audience participants recited the Pledge of Allegiance; a moment of silence followed.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

<u>S. Holovacs MOVED</u>; F. Loucka seconded to adjourn into executive session to discuss imminent litigation. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. <u>MOTION CARRIED</u>.

At the conclusion of executive session, the following motions were introduced:

- S. Herron MOVED; F. Loucka seconded to approve the mayor's appointments of Jeffrey Lucas, Dan Kernell, and Dave Deucher to the Vermillion Civil Service Commission to filled unexpired terms. Discussion: B. Brady said she will not be voting for the mayor's appointments, but she is not voting against them as people. She's voting against the fact that they were not formally informed about what is happening on the Civil Service Commission and she's not comfortable going into the situation where none of them have any Civil Service experience and the fact that none of them are lawyers. S. Holovacs said he is not comfortable with the procedure of appointing the new appointments. It is nothing on their qualifications, but it is based upon what he has heard tonight of which he is not happy with, so he will be voting no. M. Stark said she will vote no to approve these appointments. She is sure they are wonderful people and her decision is not against them whatsoever, but it would be against the qualifications for them to be on the Civil Service Commission. She would like to see somebody with some law background. S. Herron believed the appointments were qualified and believes the Mayor did all that he could to get a Vermillion resident/attorney on, so he takes him at his word. Roll Call Vote 2 YEAS (Loucka, Herron); 5 NAYS (Stark, Skahen, Holmes, Holovacs, Brady). MOTION FAILED.
- S. Herron said according to the Charter this will have to go back to the mayor's office and they can come back and see where it goes.
- <u>S. Herron MOVED</u>; E. Skahen seconded to approve the mayor's appointment of Kate Repola and Elizabeth Eldon to the Vermilion Parks and Recreation Board. Vote 7 YEAS. <u>MOTION CARRIED</u>.

## Announcement of Meeting Dates:

July 13, 2020 – Vermilion City Council Meeting – 7pm July 20, 2020 – Vermilion City Council Committee Meetings – 7pm

#### Adjournment:

Upon no further business coming before the body, Steve Herron, President of Council adjourned the Special Vermilion City Council meeting.

Transcribed by Gwen Fisher, Certified Municipal Clerk